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Dear Immigration Judges, Judicial Law Clerks, and Attorney Advisors,
Immigration Judges regularly hear cases of respondents seeking relief from removal on account of religious persecution.

The International Religious Freedom Act (IRFA) was passed requiring certain government officials likely to encounter victims of religious persecution to receive training on religious freedom issues. It is important for Immigration Judges to keep abreast of developments in religious freedom worldwide. As such, EOIR provides annual international religious freedom training to all Immigration Judges, Judicial Law Clerks, and Attorney Advisors.

This year's training, organized by the Board of Immigration Appeals Training and Development Team, provides general updates on religious freedom conditions with segments addressing specific populations and regions.

The international religious freedom training is contained in two video files that can be accessed at:

IRFA – Part 1:

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IRFA – Part 2:

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If you have any difficulty accessing the videos, please contact Heather Brown-Coward at Heather.Brown-Coward@usdoj.gov.

Written materials to accompany the training are attached above.

The training should be completed prior to December 31, 2017.

There is no certification form to complete for the religious freedom training. When you have completed the training, please simply email your ACIJ indicating that you have completed the training.

Thank you and best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season.

Jack H. Weil,

Assistant Chief Immigration Judge